

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1           1.       A method for converting display source code of an application on a server to  
2       a network interactive web-browser page, said method comprising the steps of:

3                   (a)     resolving the display source code of the application into a plurality of  
4       record formats;

5                   (b)     for each of the plurality of record formats, resolving a plurality of  
6       references within the record format to database files;

7                   (c)     determining the hierarchy and relationships of the plurality of  
8       references;

9                   (d)     parsing the plurality of references to a web-language file using nested  
10      tags to capture the hierarchy and relationship of the plurality of references to create network  
11      user interface pages; and

12                  (e)     converting the network user interface pages to an object-oriented  
13      platform-independent network language by:

14                   (i)     creating dynamic components for input, output, and feedback  
15      references; and

16                   (ii)    creating a static component for unchanging references of each  
17      record format.

1           2.       The method of claim 1, wherein the network interactive web-browser page is  
2       displayed on the Internet.

1           3.     The method of claim 1, wherein the network interactive web-browser page is  
2 displayed on a network selected from the group consisting of: an internal network, an  
3 Intranet, a LAN, a WAN, an internal bus, a wireless network.

1           4.     The method of claim 1, wherein the web-language file is an XML language  
2 file.

1           5.     The method of claim 4, wherein the XML language file is an HTML file.

1           6.     The method of claim 4, wherein the XML language file is a WML file.

1           7.     The method of claim 1, wherein the static component further comprises a  
2 JavaServer Page.

1           8.     The method of claim 1, wherein the dynamic components further comprise  
2 JavaBeans.

1           9.     The method of claim 2, wherein the network user interface pages are stored  
2 on the server.

1           10.    A computer readable medium containing program instructions for creating  
2 web interfaces of an application stored on a computer, said program instructions for:

3               (a)   parsing display file data description source of the application to render

4 the source into a plurality of network user interface pages, each network user interface page  
5 to display a record format of the application;

6 (b) converting the network user interface page, wherein at least one data  
7 object maintains the application's input, output, feedback data on a client and at least one  
8 web-browser page maintains the application's static content ;

9 (c) dynamically updating the web-browser page with the application's  
10 input, output, feedback data via a servlet instance; and

11 (d) displaying the web-browser page on a client via a network.

1 11. A computer readable medium containing program instructions for use in a  
2 computer network, said computer readable medium containing program instructions for:

3 (a) providing a plurality of network user interface pages of format records of  
4 display source code of a application; the network user interface pages to receive data from  
5 the application and in response thereto; and

6 (b) converting the network user interface pages to web-browser pages, a static  
7 portion of which displays the static portion of the format record and a dynamic portion of  
8 which interacts with the web-browser page to display input, output, feedback data required  
9 by/from/of the application.

1 12. A computer system for executing an application, comprising:

2 a central processing unit;

3 a main memory connected to the central processing unit with a  
4 communication bus;

5 a data storage unit connected to a data storage interface which is connected to  
6 said communication bus;

7 at least one input/output device connected to said communication bus and  
8 connected to a network interface to an external computer network,

9 an application stored in said main memory and capable of executing on said  
10 central processing unit; and

11 a plurality of intermediate network user interface pages, each of which  
12 correspond to a record format of the application;

13 wherein as the application executes, the application logic may use either a traditional  
14 display of the record format or the plurality of intermediate network user interfaces pages for  
15 communication of the application to a user over the external computer network.

1 13. A computer server for converting the display source of an application stored  
2 and executing on a computer, comprising:

3 a central processing unit;

4 a parser to parse the display source into a plurality of record formats; each of  
5 the record formats unique to each input/output screen definition of the application;

6 a generator of web-language user interface files having nested tags of each of  
7 the record formats; and

8 a converter of web-language user interface files, the converter further  
9 comprising:

10 an object creator to create dynamic components for the dynamic  
11 portions of the display source; and

